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IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace the claims of record with the following full set of claims:

1. (Previously presented) An arrangement station for reproducing a multimedia signal, the arrangement comprising:
 - presenting means for presenting the multimedia signal to a user at a presenting speed;
 - delay determining means for determining packet delay representing a reception rate of the arrival delay of packets from a packet switched network carrying the multimedia signal, and
 - wherein the presenting means includes:
 - a comparison means for determining a difference value between the packet delay and a reference value, wherein the reference value is adapted in dependence on the variations of the difference value; and
 - an adjusting means for adjusting the presenting speed in dependence on the difference value, so that the presenting speed correlates to the reception rate.
2. (Previously presented) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the multimedia signal comprises an audio signal, and in that the presenting means are arranged for varying the presenting speed of the audio signal while keeping a perceived intonation of the audio signal at a same reference level.
3. (Previously presented) The arrangement according to claim 2, wherein the audio signal is represented by a plurality of segments comprising a plurality of signals being described by at least their amplitude and frequency, and in that the presenting means are arranged for changing the duration of said segments in dependence on said packet delay.
4. (Cancelled).

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5. (Cancelled).

6. (Previously presented) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the multimedia signal comprises a video signal.

7. (Previously Amended) The arrangement according to claim 6, wherein the video signal is represented by a at least one object, and in that the presentation means are arranged for varying the presentation speed by adjusting a movement speed of at least one object in the video signal.

8. (Cancelled).

9. (Previously presented) A method for reproducing a multimedia signal, said method comprises presenting the multimedia signal to a user, determining a packet delay representing a reception rate of an arrival delay of packets from a packet switched network carrying the multimedia signal, and determining a difference value between the packet delay and a reference value, wherein the reference value is adapted in dependence on the variations of the difference value; and adjusting the presenting speed in dependence on the difference value, so that the presenting speed correlates to the reception rate.

10. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein the multimedia signal comprises an audio signal, and in that the method comprises varying the presenting speed of the audio signal without substantially changing a perceived intonation of the audio signal.

11. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10, wherein the audio signal is represented by a plurality of segments comprising a plurality of waveforms being described by at least their amplitude and frequency, and in that the method comprises changing the duration of said segments in dependence on said packet delay.

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12. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein the multimedia signal comprises a video signal.

13. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein the video signal is represented by at least one object, and in that the method comprises varying the presentation speed by adjusting a movement speed of at least one object in the video signal.

14. (Previously Presented) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the delay determining means measures a delay of the packets by comparing timestamps of the multimedia signal.

15. (Previously Presented) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the delay determining means measures a delay of the packets based on the number of packets present in a buffer with a reference value REF.

16. (Previously Presented) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the presenting means varies the presentation speed within 240% without substantially changing the intonation of an audio signal component of the multimedia signal.

17. (Cancelled).

18. (Previously presented) An arrangement station for reproducing a multimedia signal, the arrangement comprising:

a processor configured to present the multimedia signal to a user;
determine a packet delay representing a reception rate of the arrival delay of packets from a packet switched network carrying the multimedia signal, and determine a difference value between the packet delay and a reference value, wherein the reference value is adapted in dependence on the variations of the difference value; and adjust a presenting speed in dependence on the difference value, so that the presenting speed correlates to the reception rate.

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19. (Original) The station according to claim 18, wherein the multimedia signal comprises an audio signal, and in that the processor varies the presenting speed of the audio signal according to the reception rate while keeping a perceived intonation of the audio signal at same reference level.